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January 11, 1999

In Reply Refer To
Application 2053

Mr. L. F. Anderson, Jr.
Happy Holiday Christmas Trees
Post Office Box 231
Jefferson, North Carolina 28640

Dear Mr. Anderson:

Our investigation of your three remaining STAA reasonable access route requests for Happy Holiday Christmas Trees is complete.

At this time, we have found the following route to be acceptable by traffic engineering standards and hereby grant approval for your firm to run STAA dimensioned vehicles along this route. The **approved** route is described as follows:

STAA Reasonable Access Route Application Number 2053-5: US 421 from NC 16/18 in Wilkes County north through Wilkesboro and into Watauga County to US 221, then north on US 221 into Ashe County and through Jefferson to NC 16/88, then east on NC 88 into Alleghany County to NC 18, then south on NC 18 to Happy Holiday Christmas Trees loading area.

All weight limits that may exist on this route must be observed.

Route numbers 2053-3 and 2053-4 are not approved due to being routed through downtown Wilkesboro and North Wilkesboro which would require a number of right angle turns.

Therefore, the following two routes are **not approved**.

STAA Reasonable Access Route Application Number 2053-3: NC 18 from US 421 in Wilkesboro, Wilkes County north through North Wilkesboro and into Alleghany County to Happy Holiday Christmas Trees loading area.



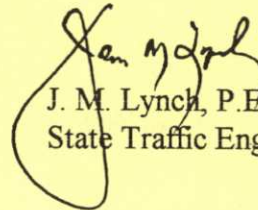
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STAA Reasonable Access Route Application Number 2053-4: NC 18 from US 421 in Wilkesboro, Wilkes County north through North Wilkesboro and into Alleghany County to NC 88, then west on NC 88 to NC 16, then north on NC 16 to Happy Holiday Christmas Trees loading area.

An alternate route for future consideration by Happy Holiday Christmas Trees could follow US 421 Business/NC 115 from US 421 to NC 18 and then north along NC 18. If desired, Happy Holiday Christmas Trees may reapply for this alternate route and an engineering investigation will be performed.

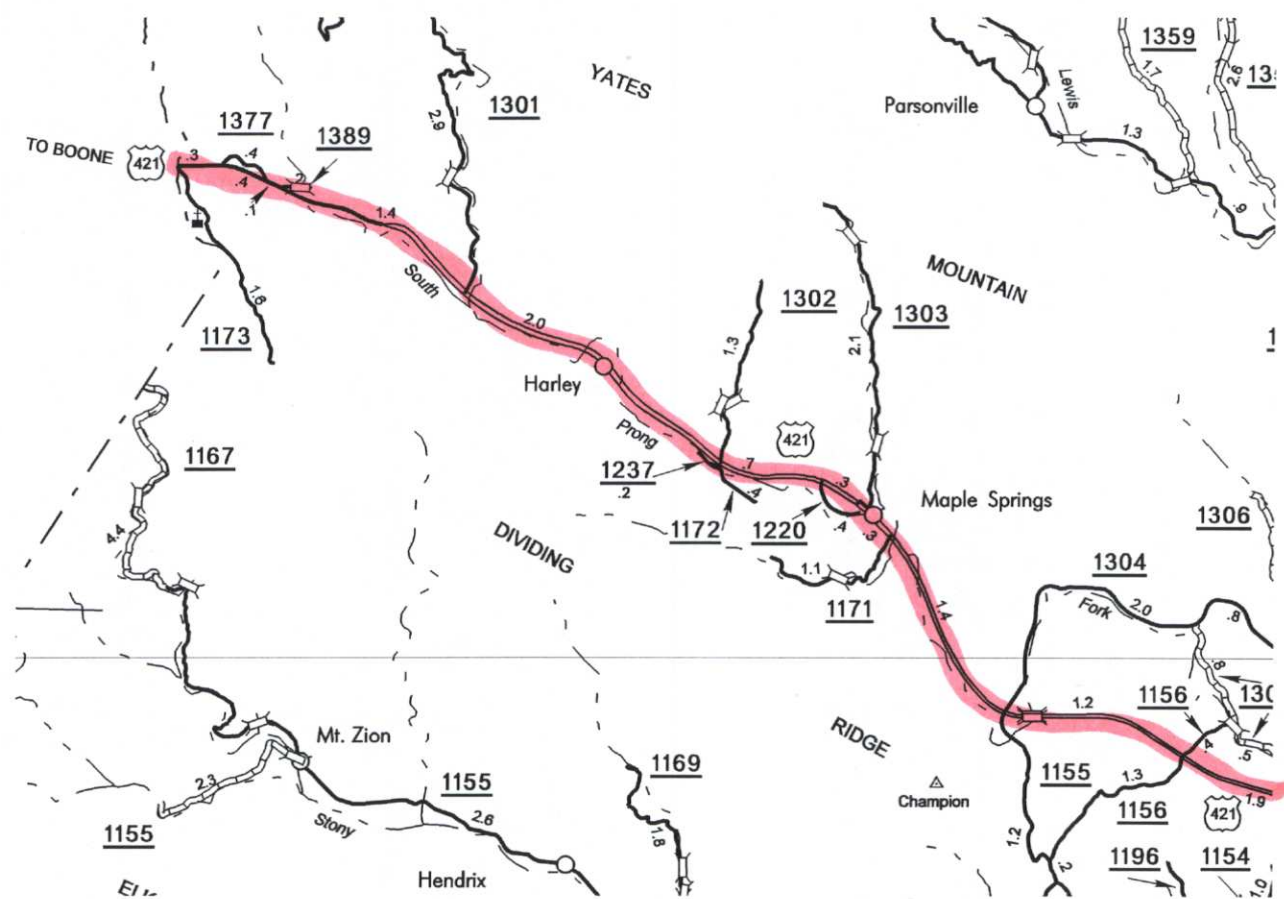
Please let me know if you have any questions or need additional information.

Yours very truly,


J. M. Lynch, P.E.
State Traffic Engineer

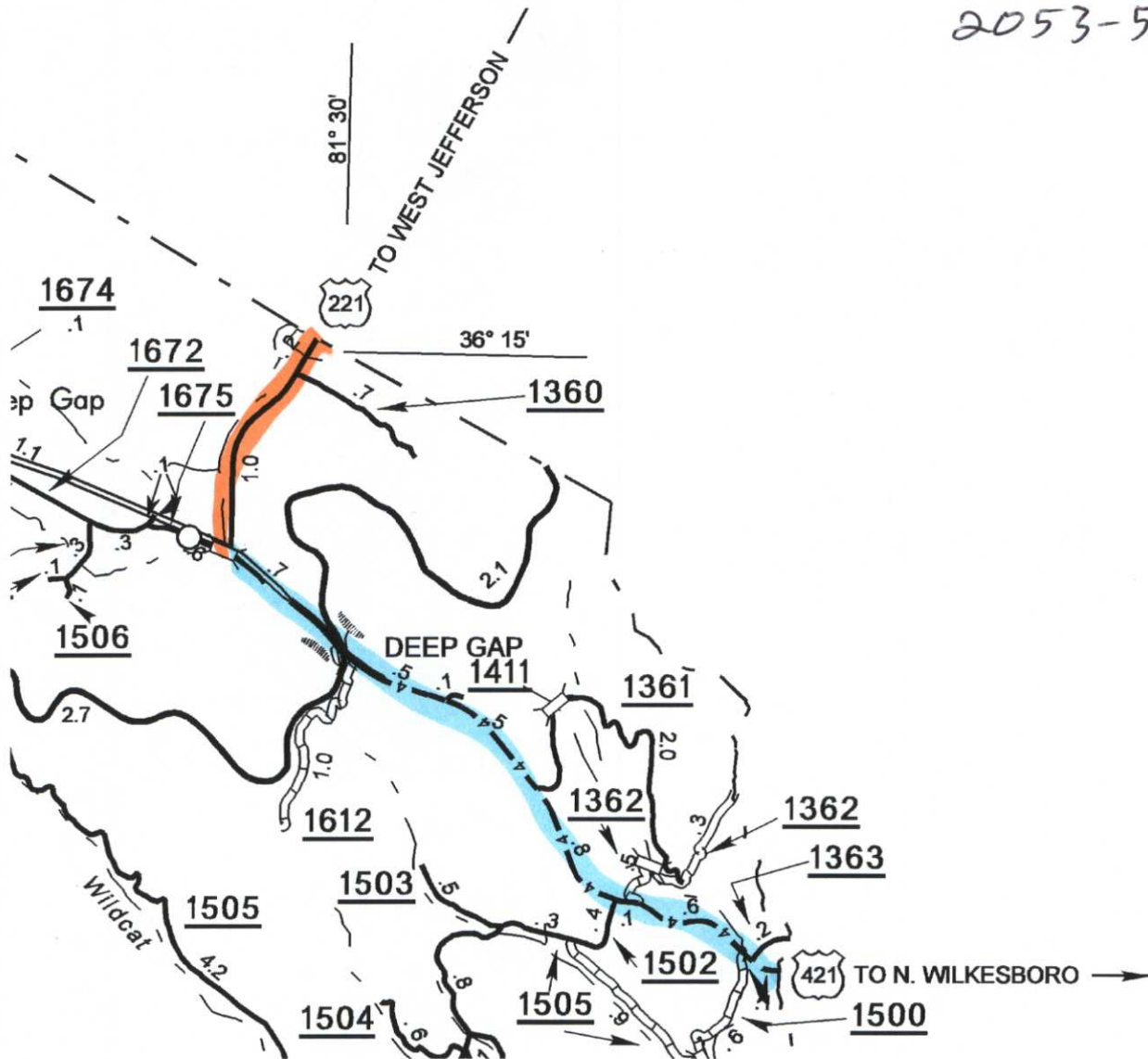
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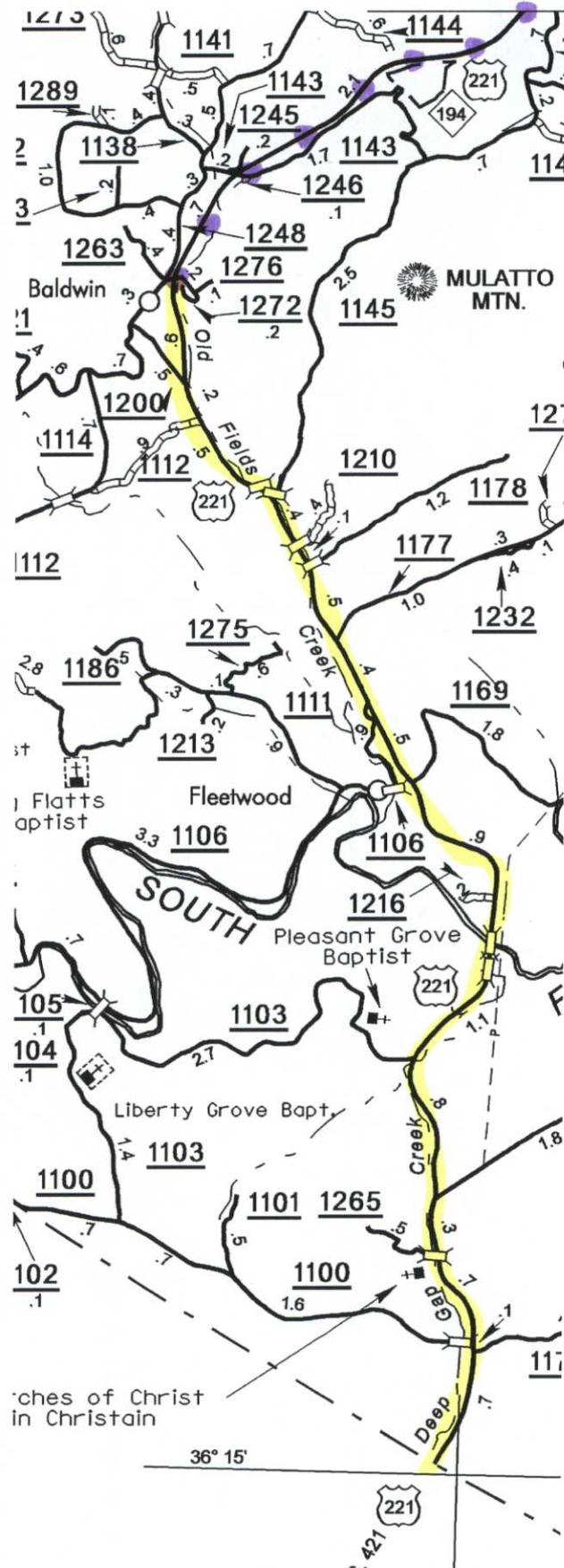


Watauga County

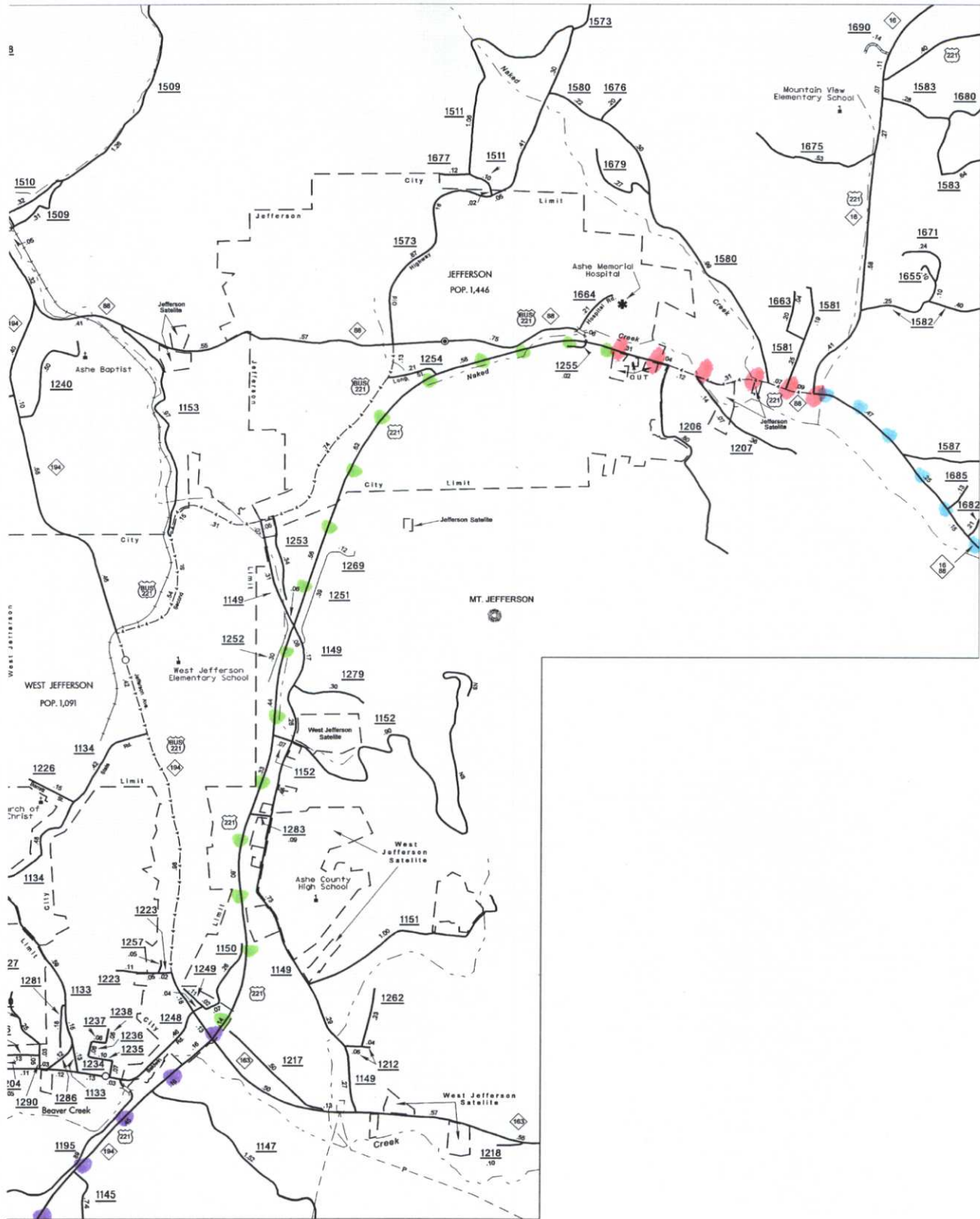
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